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<b>AMENDMENT &amp; RESPONSE</b>  Address to: Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria VA 22313-1450	Attorney Docket Confirmation No.	10030468-1 6820
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Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated February 22, 2008 for which a three month period for response was given, making this response due by May 22, 2008. Accordingly, this amendment is timely filed.

In view of the remarks put forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.